patent production, trade marks, copyright, enforcement of copyright and market access for motion pictures. The Indian delegation stated the position as it obtained in these areas in India and the historical and developmental contexts and the public policy concerns which underlay Indian laws and the policies.

While there were similarities between the US and the Indian views on copyright laws and on their stricter enforcement, there were diffrerent perceptions on patents and access to foreign trade marks. In respect of motion pictures the existing agreement between US exporters' association and the Indian canalising agency, National Film Development Corporation, is being renegotiated.

The consultations helped both sides to arrive at a fuller understanding of the concerns of each other. Consulations are expected to continue when both governments have had more time to reflect upon the concerns of each other.

IMF Loans

214. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH:
SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:
SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL:
SHRI SUKOMAL SEN:
KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA:
SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY:
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are negotiating with IMF for obtaining the first and second instalment of loan; if so, the details thereof;

(b) what is the amount of loan sought for and how much has beeen sanctioned so far by IMF;

(c) whether some conditions have been imposed by IMF in sanctioning the instalments of loans; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and Government reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) to (c) Some preliminary discussions are being held with the IMF to explore the possibilities of assistance to reduce the strain on the balance of payments.

(d) Does not aries at this stage.

Money spent by Government on waiving of loans

215. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI:
SHRI R. T. GOPALAN:
CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of money spent by Government till date for implementing loan waiver scheme and the total amount of loan waiver so far;

(b) what is the total number of persons who have benefited by this scheme so far, State-wise;

(c) whether Government have received complaints from States regarding misuse of plan funds;

(d) whether Government propose to introduce some modification in the operation of the scheme, if so, the future plans of Government in this regard;

(e) whether some nationalised banks have revealed exaggerated claims regarding loan waiver scheme; and

(f) if answer to part (c) be in the affirmative, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Government of India have released so far Rs. 2500 crores to Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for implement-

ing the loan waiver scheme. The total amount of loan waived under the scheme as on 1-7-1991 by public sector banks, regional rural banks anl cooperatives is Rs. 7434 crores.

(b) The total number of beneficiaries who have been given relief under the Scheme is 295.45 lakhs. State-wise details are given in statement.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) There is no proposal under consideration of the Government to make any changes in the Scheme.

(e) Banks have provided Deot Relief under the loan waiver scheme after due verification of claims as stipulated in the Scheme.

(f) Does not arise.

Statement

The State-wise number of persons who have been given relief under the loan waiver scheme

Sl. No.	State/U.Ts.	No. of persons given relief
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2931480
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	12157
3.	Assam	508562
4.	Bihar	3543349
5.	Goa	18761
6.	Gujarat	1355479
7.	Haryana	599049
8.	Himachal Pradesh	277821
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	33805
10.	Karnataka	1616376
11.	Kerala	437322
12.	Madhya Pradesh	1914866
13.	Maharasthra	2875078
14.	Manipur	73064
15.	Meghalaya	17066
16.	Mizoram	6396
17.	Nagaland	50161
18.	Orissa	2031664
19.	Punjab	463791
20.	Rajasthan	1909067
21.	Sikkim	9394
22.	Tamil Nadu	1978223
23.	Tripura	146125
24.	Uttar Pradesh	5155333
25.	West Bengal	1496178
26.	Chandigarh	3363
27.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	2798
28.	Daman & Diu	1115
29.	Delhi	10978
30.	Lakshadweep	91
31.	Pondicherry	41532
32.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	4755
	TOTAL :	29545139

Trade Potential in the Gulf

216. KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government have taken or propose to take to tap the vast trade potential in the Gulf, particularly in the reconstruction of the war ravaged Kuwait;

(b) what are the fields in which India is expected to participate; and

(c) what is the amount of foreign exchange the country is expected to earn from these steps and the period by which these earnings are expected to come?